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INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ANIMAL PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and value of animal products imported and exported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise and item-wise;

(b) whether India`s share in trade of animal products in the international market is negligible;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has formulated any plan for promotion of export of animal products;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of assistance provided to increase the share of India in animal/ livestock products in the international market?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) The details of export & Import of these products both in value and volume during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 (April − June) is as under:

	2006-07		2007-08		2008-09(April - June)	
	Value (Rs. in Crore)	Volume (Thousand Kg)	Value (Rs. in Crore)	Volume (Thousand Kg)	Value (Rs. in Crore)	Volume (Thousand Kg)
Import	306.01	30803.68	280.39	23861.55	68.51	5646.91
Export	11354.30	1816218	11317.28	4596890.8	2767.18	414188.78

The major destinations of animal products (under chapter 02 to 05 of HS code) are Japan, China, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, UAE, etc. While India imports these products from Bangladesh, China, USA, European countries, Singapore etc.

(b) &(c) Yes Sir. As per the report of Working Group on Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Planning Commission on 11th Five Year Plan, India's share in the world trade of dairy products is only 0.25% and in case of meat and poultry it is 0.5%. The main reasons for this low share of India in the international trade in livestock sector are trade distorting subsidies by developed countries, stipulation of higher sanitary measures than required for protection of human and animal health by developed countries and prevalence and intermittent outbreaks of certain diseases such as FMD and avian influenza respectively in India.

(d) to (f) For promotion of India's exports of livestock products, the Government has been coordinating with the export promotion agencies such as Agricultural and Process Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Export Inspection Council (EIC) etc. by providing necessary technical inputs and financial assistance for gaining market access of India's livestock products. The financial assistance provided by APEDA, during the last three years is as under:

Value Rs. in lakhs

2006-07	2007-08	2008-09

Infrastructure Development 54.50 32.50 Nil

Market Development 14.77 19.73 19.77

Quality Development 24.67 22.21 6.78

Transport Assistance 369.14 611.75 120.63